

**Manville Fire District**

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**OCTOBER 11, 2006 MINUTES OF THE MANVILLE BOARD OF FIRE  
WARDENS**

**MONTHLY MEETING**

**Attendance:**

**Chief Peter Adam, Peter Fucci, \*Daniel Rageotte, Paul Comiré, Paul  
Armstrong, Paul McKeon, Ronald McKenna, Angel Desmarais  
(\*arrived late 10:05pm)**

**Chairman, Peter Fucci opened the meeting at 7:02 pm**

**FYI Fire Warden Paul Armstrong abstains from any vote concerning  
garage purchases (i.e. gas, repair)**

**Reading Minutes of the Last Meeting:**

**Motion to forgo reading of last meeting minutes**

**1st Paul McKeon 2nd Paul Armstrong**

**All in favor**

## **Tax Collector Report:**

**Statement: Ronald McKenna –Collected 96% of taxes to date. New bills will be mailed on Monday and an ad will be placed in the Valley Breeze, if the taxpayer has not received a bill by the end of the month they will be advised to call. There is a problem with the new sales on New River Road, the Town of Lincoln gives notification of the sale 2-3 months after the sale.**

**Question: Paul Armstrong –Who's getting the bills (with regard to the new sales on New River Road)?**

**Answer: McKenna –Planned Environment in addition to the new owners.**

**Comment: Armstrong –They're not Planned Environment anymore; it's 400 New River Road LLC.**

**Comment: McKenna –Some of them say that; there are three corporations.**

**Question: Peter Fucci –How do you make the decision of who to send the bills out to?**

**Answer: McKenna –Whoever the Town of Lincoln sends him is who receives them. However there will be some overlapping of bills.**

**Recommendation: Chief Adam –In Albion for each property that is sold the Fire Marshall must go and inspect it. He can notify you when a property is sold; he can't give you exact information but you would be able to initiate an investigation from it.**

**Comment: Fucci –I think it would be a good idea to have Ron and the Fire Marshall sit down and discuss this.**

**Motion to Accept**

**1st Paul Armstrong 2nd Paul McKeon**

**All in Favor**

**Treasurer Report:**

**Statement: McKenna –Any bills right now are being paid out of surplus because there is no income yet. We have \$10,700 left to spend from the last fiscal year.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –The bills exceed that.**

**Comment: McKenna –You're going to have to figure out how you're going to deal with that.**

**Motion to Accept**

**1st Paul Armstrong 2nd Paul McKeon**

**All in Favor**

**Correspondence:**

**Manville Fire Department was mentioned in the Woonsocket Call 3 weeks ago.**

**Thank you received from Ray Forget for Get Well fruit basket.**

**Invitation received to the Lincoln Middle School Open House October 22, 2006 at 2pm.**

**Chief Peter Adam's Report:**

**Statement: Chief Adam –There has been a dramatic increase in**

response with our members; before there was a response of 1-2 members, now we are averaging significant numbers (10-12). There have been significant changes made and more to come. There are 2 new members who are EMT's. There will be an EMT refresher class scheduled in November 1st for all EMT's in the department; all of whom, with the exception of Lieutenant Dan Desmarais, have overdue or expired EMT licenses; if this isn't done by December most will lose them.

**Question: McKeon –Are we budgeted for that?**

**Answer: Chief Adam –It's in the current budget coming up. The money's there.**

**Comment: McKeon –That's all I wanted to know.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –Was it budgeted, I can't tell you that I wasn't the person who made the budget; but there's definitely enough money there.**

**Comment: McKeon –I think you said that there were a lot of licenses coming up and we left the money in there.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –CPR classes will be held shortly because CPR like the EMT licenses for the majority of our members is over due or expired.**

**We have sent firefighters to Dive Class because almost everyone in area has divers and we have none. We had excess money in training**

so I had teams set up and sent them. One firefighter was sent to Pump Operations Class in New Hampshire.

The day room was moved downstairs and the classroom was moved upstairs and was furnished with the proper equipment.

I have ordered appliances for the 4" hose in order to boost pressure. When the 4" hose was originally purchased no other appliances were ever purchased.

Comment: McKeon -I think it was because of a lack of experience with it.

Comment: Chief Adam –I would assume that be the case. If it was up to me I would've purchased 5" hose; most people in area are going to 5" vs. 4"; but we'll deal with what's here.

Question: Fucci –What diameter does Cumberland and Woonsocket have?

Answer: Chief Adam –Woonsocket has 3" beds, Cumberland has 4", Albion and N. Smithfield all have 5"

Question: Fucci –What about Limerock?

Answer: Chief Adam -3" and 2 ½ ".

Question: Fucci –Why haven't they changed?

Answer: Chief Adam –It doesn't have anything to do with money I'm sure.

Statement: Chief Adam –So basically these are just a few things

we've done. There are a million things we've done; I've listed just a few to be honest with you I could probably fill 2 pages of changes. The guys are really putting in a lot of effort; they are ready for the change, there have been positive effects because of it. I'd like to thank the guys; they're doing a hell-of-a job.

One of the problems is with ladder 1. I've done research on it, its last stress test was done in March of this year by Top Rung Co. and it passed with no exceptions or problems. One ground ladder didn't pass and for some reason it's still on the truck. That's no problem because I've placed the truck out of service 2 weeks ago. The reason I did that is because of some unfortunate incidents reported to me by my officers: the accelerator pedal gets stuck, and the aerial when up shifts to one side, it's bending the whole 9 yards. So there are safety issues I had concern about. Next week when I'm on vacation I plan on being here a whole lot; and will pull the truck out then. I just haven't had the time yet.

When I spoke with a rep from Top Rung he assured me it passed but because of the age of the vehicle it's an unrated aerial in fact it's never been rated because of the age of the vehicle. He doesn't recommend that the ladder be used at 100' period. But he won't come out with a number to say what's the safe number of footage it can be used at, because he can't put a number to it. He can only recommend that if it is used that it be used in an overlapping manner; which is wise to give stability.

My recommendations are to you to hire a company who does independent audits; they go over the truck soup-to-nuts and tell you

**what's wrong with it. That's my recommendation to you; it's a 30 year old truck and my officers who know the truck are expressing concerns.**

**Comment: McKeon –You have to go by their words.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –I stand by their words. I have to stand by their words they are officers they know the truck.**

**Statement: Fucci –If you cannot guarantee that we can operate that safely then it's a no-go. As a board we don't want to sit here and say at 74' it's okay but at 75' it's not; because we don't want that responsibility.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –Right not the truck is out of service and it will stay OOS because there are too many questions regarding safety issues; and I'm standing by my officers and their saying they aren't comfortable with it. Keep in mind that if the officers aren't comfortable with it this will spread to the men and the moral issue that we've the last month to increase to really good heights will be shot right down the toilet because they will have no confidence in our ability to lead them, and I just don't want to do that.**

**Statement: Fucci –And at this point I don't think any one of us wants to be responsible for having to tell a wife or husband, 'hey by the way that was done because we were wrong by 2%'.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –Yes, again I don't think that from talking form**

the rep from Top Rung that there is anyone that we can ask that there is another test that we can tell deflection.

Comment: McKeon –Yeah, one they can do an actual structural test on.

Answer: Chief Adam –Well yeah, he does a weight stress load. But...

Comment: McKeon -An ultrasound is just a little indicator they run along the metal to see if there's any fatigue. That I would trust 10X more than a weight test.

Answer: Chief Adam –Keep in mind...

Comment: McKeon –Well if you're saying the truck's 30 years old and the gas pedal is sticking on it; it's foolish to have a good ladder if you can't get it to the fire.

Statement: Chief Adam -30 year old truck, accelerator sticking; there's some scary issues. There's some other issues it's a big nut we have to crack and I'll have to do some research; the question is can it be fixed, how much do we want to spend? At some point you're putting good money after bad. I will come back next month with a more definitive answer of which direction we need to go in.

So now we have to re-invent the wheel a little bit. A lot of trash was emptied here which leads me to my next question about station 2; do we have a lot of trash at station 2? When I say trash I mean trash.

Question: McKeon –You've already been there and know there is?

Answer: Chief Adam –Oh yeah, I've been there and know what's



there; there is still some equipment that has some value if you will. But there's a lot of trash down there and I know there's been discussions about the property being sold, so I'm looking for direction as far as how you want to handle it. I'd like to get a dumpster down there and clean out the building; so when you're ready to make your move regarding that property the move is made and it's going to be smooth.

Another thing I did, I spent 2 hours yesterday morning with Preston from BFIS. I invited him here and we went over all the insurance packages; so I can give you more of a definitive answer when that comes up, how everything is insured I know exactly what's going on; so that works in our advantage. There are some questionable things, you will find some of the bills are well past due and I asked him if we're in a lapse of insurance and he assured me no that was not the case. It's not an issue; pay the bills and carry on.

**Question: Comiré –You're not getting the bills on time?**

**Answer: Chief Adam –I can't answer that, I can tell you that the bills were in that office when I sorted through the paperwork. I don't know how, when, or why. I don't know, I just can't answer that; it was before my time. What I can tell you is the department is well covered with insurance; we are well protected, no concerns regarding insurance.**

**Motion to Accept**

**1st Paul Comiré 2nd Paul McKeon**

**All in Favor**

**Unfinished/Old Business:**

**1. Daniel Rageotte getting plaque for past Chief St. George, the money for this will be taken out of the Fire Wardens budget.**

**1st Paul Comiré 2nd Peter Fucci**

**All in Favor**

**2. Question: McKeon –When will Chief Adam be setting up his truck with lights etc.?**

**Answer: Chief Adam –When he gets a minute.**

**New Business:**

**1. Question: Paul Armstrong –Is the house next door to station 1 still on the market?**

**Answer: No. It has been sold.**

**Comment: Danny Desmarais –Bills from the wife are holding up the sale, if anything changes I can notify the board.**

**2. Proposal: Fucci –Provide CPR training for district. What would it take to do that? There are 2 benefits to this: 1. it could save lives 2. it would raise our visibility, and it's a good service to offer.**

**Comment: Armstrong –Would be an asset to the district.**

**Comment: Desmarais –it proved itself at the St. James Carnival last year.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –They saved my sisters life.**

**3. Statement: Fucci –There are increasing funds in the Fire Prevention budget.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –They are earmarked for the fire marshal. The Fire Marshall's needs; previously expressed by him in writing to Chief St. George in March then to Board of Fire Wardens, are now being addressed.**

**4. Question: Armstrong –What happened to the horn on top of Station 1? (it is hanging at an odd angle)**

**Answer: Chief Adam –Was cutting unused piping in attic and pipe that had been anchoring was cut. It will be re-anchored and possibly set up for nostalgic blast on Firemen's Sunday. It has great historic value for the town of Manville.**

**5. Proposal: Fucci –We need a formal way to evaluate the Chief, for the next meeting Peter start getting goals in order; start short term at least the next 6 months. We would be negligent if we didn't draw up a performance evaluation for the fire Chief; we have accountability to the taxpayers.**

**Comment: McKeon –As of now there is none. We could put an article in the Valley Breeze as an update of what we've gotten accomplished.**

**6. Proposal: Clean Station 2 in order to get ready to sell it.**

**Motion: Empower Chief Adam to hire a dumpster company to facilitate trash removal and begin process.**

**1st Paul Armstrong 2nd Paul McKeon**

**All in Favor**

**7. Proposal: The Board of Fire Wardens to hire real estate agent.**

**Comment: Bring this up for further discussion at next Board Meeting after Board Members have had a chance to assess the building.**

**8. Statement: Fucci –We’ve gotten into a stick situation with the pay issue. We actually paid Chief St. George an extra \$1050. What happened is we actually pay the Chief and Deputy Chief before they actually work. So he got paid on the 1st and on the 30th he left so as the board we have 2 options to face: we can go to the former chief and say return the money. –I don’t think that’s the right thing to do, that’s my opinion. He put in 24 years and he has been available to answer questions and calls from you?**

**Answer: Chief Adam –Absolutely.**

**Statement: Fucci –And it is what it is, so we’ll over spend on the Chief’s salary by \$1050 to compensate this Chief (Adam) for that time period. The other issue is that we’re still paying our Chief’s early so we need to resolve that.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –Well you’re actually paying more than just the Chief’s early; you’re paying myself, Deputy Chief and the Fire Prevention Officer all monthly stipends.**

**Statement: Fucci –Okay.**

**Question: McKeon –Are those pre-work? So you get paid January 1st for the whole month of January?**

**Answer: Chief Adam –Right, on October 1st I received a check, so I’m paid until October 31st.**

**Comment: Armstrong –We’ve had the same policy for a number of years.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –All I’m saying is in no business I’m aware of you get paid before you do the work.**

**Statement: Fucci –We have so many employees, and so few are salaried that it’s cost prohibitive to do it in another way. But, it’s not cost prohibitive to make it correct. The only problem is that you will go technically 2 weeks without pay. So if you or any of your guys depend on that income you’re going to have 2 weeks that’s going to be rough for them. So we need to fix it and we need to figure out how. So, suggestions?**

**Suggestion: McKeon –Change the date.**

**Question: Fucci –When?**

**Answer: Armstrong -15th and 30th**

**Statement: Chief Adam –Get McKenna’s input.**

**Statement: McKenna –Well it’s not that it screws me up; it just gives me more work.**

**Question: McKeon –Would it really bother you to switch it from the 1st of the month to the 31st?**

**Answer: McKenna –No it wouldn’t bother me. We can issue one a month and start with the end of November.**

**Statement: Fucci –Okay, so on December 1st they’ll get paid for November.**

**Question: Armstrong –Will they get paid every two weeks or once a month?**

**Answer: McKenna –They will get paid once a month.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –Keep in mind now the reason we didn't change it to every two weeks is that we didn't want to anybody a hardship. What you're proposing is asking someone to wait...**

**Interjection: McKeon –4 weeks.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –Essentially 8 weeks since the prior check. I don't know if there's a cure, I'm just telling you that to keep in mind I don't care but for the men there might be a hardship.**

**Suggestion: Fucci –I think we can make a decision that the Chief do what ever he deems necessary.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –I don't want to come back with an answer that won't fly. I need to know if you want changes.**

**Statement: Fucci –We want changes.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –I'll come back with a decision of which way we're going to go.**

**Question: McKeon –So we won't do anything until next month?**

**Statement: Fucci –There should be a motion to correct this, so that people are being paid after they work, and we will use your (Chief Adam) description of how that happens.**

**1st Paul Armstrong 2nd Paul McKeon**

**All in favor**

**9. Statement: Fucci –What are we doing for Bird Flu planning in the town? Right now, nothing. I’m poking around town to see if there is someone doing something; unfortunately Public Safety in this town as far as that type of coordination is lacking. We want to find out what the town is doing first so we don’t step on any toes.**

**10. Statement: Paul Comiré –This was brought up in a previous meeting; working on the bylaws of the charter. (to Peter Fucci) are you going to wait until next meeting to address that?**

**Comment: Fucci –We need to find out if we need to have the charter changed or just the bylaws. And what steps we need to take to do that. A lawyer may be needed. We need to know exactly what we’re dealing with. The charter should be very broad and it is not. Would you (to Paul Armstrong) be willing to do the research?**

**Comment: McKeon –If Paul Armstrong isn’t willing to hunt this down then I will.**

**11. Statement: Fucci –Regarding the Radio boxes; the Chief called me with concern of why we were receiving \$100 check from Limerock. I called Limerock’s Chief, the message I got was it deferred some other cost. It was not clear to me what that cost was. I still question whether we should be receiving this money. Though right now I don’t have an answer that says we shouldn’t; I still think it needs to be looked into. I do know that there are other districts taking the money**

so I don't know what the right thing to do is there. It does actually sound a little suspicious.

Comment: McKeon –I think they pay other fire districts also.

Statement: Fucci –They do, so I know it won't be a thing in Manville that we deal with, it will be a thing that has a ripple effect; so if we decide to go forward with this there needs to be a time and place for us to do that; but it won't be a minor thing.

Question: Chief Adam –Where are the checks going and how did you guys not know this was occurring?

Answer: Fucci –We knew we were getting the money, we didn't know what it was for.

Comment: McKeon –Those checks didn't disappear they were in the income every month, I just don't know if we should still be getting it.

12. Statement: Fucci –We need to talk about fuel and what we need to allocate to the Chief and Deputy Chief for expenditure per month for fuel. There is a recognition that we don't have an incident command vehicle and because of that the Chief and Deputy Chief will utilize their personal vehicles as Incident Command vehicles.

Statement: Armstrong –There's been compensation for fuel going back to when Marci was Chief about 20 years.

Statement: Fucci –Okay. I suggest we actually set it at a gallon amount rather than a dollar amount because of the fluctuation in the



**price of gas.**

**Comment: Armstrong –The deputy knows the exact dollar amount they're allowed right now. What don't we find out from Domenic exactly what the numbers were; come back next month and do the math, and give a proposal. I don't want to give less than what everyone's been getting over the past 20 years; it would be insulting.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –Next month I'll come back with a dollar amount.**

**13. Statement: Fucci –The next thing is we have the phone; we have multiple phone lines coming in.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –We are paying Cox and Verizon for the same phone lines, my recommendation is that we get rid of everything else and keep Cox.**

**Question: Armstrong –Why is there \$2500 more this year in your budget for phone service?**

**Answer: Chief Adam –That included the upgrade of the phone service. Right now we have no answering machine, no voice mail, no nothing. This is not a business phone.**

**Comment: McKeon –That's why we added the \$2500.**

**Statement: Fucci –That’s a whole other topic, but the immediate thing is we need to streamline our phone bills.**

**Suggestion: Chief Adam –I suggest we pick one carrier Cox or Verizon, I only say Cox because we have internet with them.**

**Question: McKeon –I just want to know why the Cox bill is higher.**

**Answer: Chief Adam –Who knows it could be an overdue bill, you know what I mean.**

**Statement: Fucci –I think the right resolution is for the Chief t do whatever it takes to get the right provider in and lets just get it done.**

**14. Statement: Fucci –The other thing is we need our phone system looked at.**

**Question: Armstrong –You said this is a brand new phone service put in last year?**

**Answer: Fucci –The system itself is okay the way it’s set up isn’t.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –The bottom line is from now on either I or one of the officers is going to be here, so it’s going to be done the way I want it. So I will take care of it.**

**15. Statement: Fucci –The other problem is, in the past we were actually paying somebody...**

**Comment: Chief Adam –Leah Houle.**

**Statement: Fucci- \$500.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –The Chief was.**

**Statement: Fucci –The chief was out of the firefighter's stipend as a secretary to do his paperwork.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –I refused to pay, so now it's in your laps.**

**Statement: Fucci –First the Chief called me about this, it was a Chief's function to process paperwork, so here's the problem; it was \$500 every 6 months.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –I was told by the Chief himself it was \$500 annually.**

**Statement: Fucci –Well good and bad; it would have to be in writing, the fact is that this department said if you provide the service we will pay you the money. We should honor that whether it was the right thing to do or not. Now the wrong thing to do is pull it from the firefighter's money; which is gone but we still need to figure out how to pay this.**

**Question: Comiré –What did she do?**

**Answer: Chief Adam –The stuff I presented to you tonight which I did she did.**

**Comment: Fucci –He always said 'my secretary', but I thought it was his wife.**

**Comment: McKeon –I always thought he took it out of his expenses. It's a mute point now anyway because you don't utilize her.**

**Comment: Fucci –Yeah we still need to pay her.**

**Question: Armstrong –Do we owe this girl money?**

**Answer: McKeon –She’s claiming...**

**Statement: Chief Adam –No, she’s not claiming anything, she disappeared the night of the financial meeting, she came up here grabbed her stuff and booted out of here before I had a chance to come upstairs. I never met the girl, I had no idea. The Chief was telling me he was doing this for her; when he found out I didn’t cut a check for her he came to me and said ‘why didn’t you pay Leah?’ I said ‘Leah who?’ He said ‘my secretary’. So does this person exist?**

**Question: Armstrong –Who approved this?**

**Answer: McKeon –Not us.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –He was taking it out of the line item for the firefighters. That’s why I refused to pay it.**

**Question: McKeon –On the same note there, did the chief actually asked her to do this work?**

**Answer: Fucci –He’s an authorized agent, it’s not his fault, it’s not her fault.**

**Question: McKeon –Is it legal?**

**Answer: Fucci –It is legal, just not appropriate.**

**Question: McKeon –And this lady wants her money?**

**Answer: Chief Adam –She’s never been in contact with me. In fact I**

have a check still in there for her husband; it's a small stipend. But, she's never been in contact with me. The Chief's only spoken about this once with me and he didn't like the answer; and that was the last time I spoke with him. That's the only information I can give you guys. She's not coming back; she's fired. She no longer works here; I'll do my own work.

Statement: Fucci –So that's another question; we technically had an employee that a) we didn't know about and b) technically without any office termination. Do we have a w4 for her?

Answer: Chief Adam –Yes.

Question: Fucci –Do we have a personnel file, do we have an application? Do we have to actually submit a letter of termination? But, she existed; that's the problem. He called me and said does this person exist and I called payroll.

Question: McKeon –Who called you?

Answer: Fucci –The chief to see if I knew anything about it and if she existed with the payroll company.

Question: Armstrong –How many years was this going on for?

Answer: Chief Adam –I have an application here dated 6/12/05; so it was a little over a year.

Comment: Danny Desmarais –We were told she was here for free, also by the Chief.

Comment: Fucci –Was she? Okay.

**Statement: Chief Adam –She has an application of membership here. Obviously she never trained.**

**Comment: Desmarais –Then when stipends came around we found out she was paid, we saw the stipend paperwork for her for over \$700.**

**Question: Fucci –Is there some formal recognition as someone as a firefighter?**

**Answer: Chief Adam –You have to be trained.**

**Question: Armstrong –Is she a firefighter?**

**Answer: Fucci –No she's not a firefighter. So that's how he actually got around not telling you guys. As far as I see this, this means she was actually part and party to not being up-front and if that's the case I have a whole different opinion of this.**

**Question: McKeon –So what you're saying is that's the application?**

**Answer: Armstrong –As a firefighter.**

**Comment: McKeon –Oh as a firefighter, I thought she just had an application as a secretary.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –She had no gear, she had no training.**

**Question: Armstrong –Is this how it was covered?**

**Answer: Fucci –I'm assuming it and actually because there was an acceptance date, he accepted her as a firefighter and he himself signed it.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –And he paid her as a secretary.**

**Comment: McKeon –That’s how he was paying her out of the firefighter stipend.**

**Statement: Fucci –The appropriate thing to do is for someone to make a motion to pay her but we need to talk with Daniel Rageotte before that happens.**

**Comment: Comiré –Well she did the work for a year.**

**Comment: Fucci –We don’t know the story on that; let’s get the full story and make the decision.**

**Comment: Chief Adam –She was in the office, there were documents there that I know he didn’t have the ability to create.**

**Question: Fucci –So we actually saw a change in style of the reports last year?**

**Answer: Armstrong –That was the change, her coming on board.**

**Comment: Fucci –He used to type in all caps and he made a big deal that he did some fancy stuff in excel making it a lot easier to read. It wasn’t him.**

**\*Daniel Rageotte enters meeting\***

**Question: Fucci –Leah Houle, does that ring a bell?**

**Comment: McKeon –The former Chief’s secretary. We just found out today she was getting paid out of the firefighter stipend.**

**Answer: Rageotte –I didn’t know that.**

**Comment: McKeon –We're telling you that she's looking for her pay.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –No she's not, the prior Chief asked why she wasn't paid.**

**Question: Fucci –The Deputy Chief asked you why she wasn't paid as well?**

**Answer: Chief Adam –That's correct.**

**Statement: Fucci –As a firefighter I would pay her for the runs she showed up for if she's a firefighter.**

**Comment: Armstrong –Well that'll be pretty easy.**

**Statement: Fucci –That's technically how we need to do it, there's no written proof.**

**Question: Armstrong –In a court of law where would it go?**

**Answer: Fucci –She's a firefighter, how do you pay your firefighters?**

**Answer: Chief Adam –By the call. I will not pay her through the firefighter's line item because it's the inappropriate thing to do.**

**Comment: McKeon –If John had put her down as a secretary and had her salary come from somewhere else there would be no problem.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –I can go through Ron's records to find out what she was actually paid.**

**Statement: Fucci –I would absolutely like that.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –Dan (Desmarais) made the comment that she was paid more than that, John told me \$500, I don't know I didn't do**



the research.

**Statement: Fucci –We should absolutely know how much if you can gather that info.**

**16. Statement: Fucci –The last thing is if the Chief wants the firefighters to have email accounts, but if anyone wants a ManvilleFireDeartment.com email address, please see me.**

**Proposal: Desmarais –I recommend we get someone to design a website for us.**

**Answer: Fucci –I’m just not ready to talk about that yet. We’re getting multiple steps ahead.**

**Question: Desmarais –How long are you talking?**

**Answer: Fucci –It’s going to come in phases.**

**17. Statement: Chief Adam –I’ll be doing a recruit drive.**

**18. Statement: Chief Adam –The Chief and Deputy Chief will have business hours here and they will be posted; we have a responsibility to the taxpayers to be there for them.**

**19. Statement: Chief Adam –The locking mechanism for the front doors will be changed to a push pad.**

**20. Comment: Chief Adam –It’s becoming very lucrative to bill for MVA calls at no cost to us, it may be worth us looking into it; most car insurance’s carry a rider to pay for that service. Would you like**

**me to pursue this?**

**Answer: McKeon –Yes.**

**Statement: Fucci –If we do bill for that we should put that money toward something like purchasing of rescue equipment not the general fund.**

**Payment of Bills:**

**Statement: Chief Adam –The invoice date will determine whether the bill is in this fiscal year or the last; in order to get an accurate picture of what is spent each fiscal year.**

**Statement: Fucci –I want to know what bills are this year and what bills are last year.**

**Answer: Chief Adam –They're all last year except Gene's Auto Body& Simons (for shirts) if you're going by the dates. Right now I'm dealing with current, over due and past due bills; one past due bill received a finance charge because it wasn't paid.**

**Comment: McKeon –Looks like St. George dropped the ball.**

**Comment: Armstrong –You're opening up a can of worms with all the (crap) that you're finding.**

**Answer: Chief Adam –That's my job**

**Statement: Armstrong –There's no excuse for what you're uncovering.**

**Statement: Chief Adam –I will clean up the breakdown to reflect which bills are applied to which fiscal year. I will resubmit it for the next**

**meeting.**

**Question: Fucci –Are there any questions regarding the bills?**

**Statement: Armstrong –For future reference down at the end of the breakdown regarding the Providence Journal, The Times, and The Woonsocket Call; a lot of money was spent on the Journal for advertisements in classifieds, what happened and for future reference those ads were supposed to go to in the Valley Breeze and John told me he called too late, that's why it ended up in the Journal. But in future meetings I think what we used to do in the district and what Albion did just last week; by putting this in the classified section of the newspaper nobody sees it, it should be in block ads on page 2 or 3, the way it used to be.**

**Bills:**

**Motion to Accept the Chiefs budget**

**1st Paul McKeon 2nd Paul Comiré**

**Income:**

**Motion to Accept**

**1st Paul Comiré 2nd Paul Armstrong**

**Good and Welfare of the Department:**

**Proposal: To send out a mailing of Annual Meeting Agenda**

**Adjournment:**

**Motion for adjournment**

**1st Paul McKeon**

**2nd Paul Armstrong**

**All in favor**

**Meeting closed 10:30pm**

**Next Meeting November 8th 2006**